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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In the Application of: Olivier NORE, and Jean-Luc SIMON**

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**For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF EXOPOLYSACCHARIDES**

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**SUBMISSION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 (form PCT/DO/EO/905), dated **May 10, 2002**, Applicants hereby submit a signed Declaration, bearing the International Application number and International Filing date, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b).

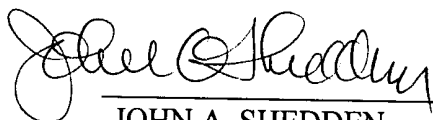
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**Docket No.: RN99110**  
**Serial No.: 10/070,632**  
**Submission of Missing Requirements**

Please charge Deposit Account No. **18-1171** the amount of **\$130.00** to cover the costs for this submission.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **18-1171**.

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination



The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 30 months months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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